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Students get help via grants

BY TREY WILLIAMS
News Editor

Though our economy is slowly improving and talk of state budget cuts is not as prevalent as a year ago, some citizens are still left with unanswered questions: “How am I going to pay for college?”

In 2007 as part of the College Cost Reduction Act, the College Access Challenge Grant was born. And now, according to grant Administrator Tim Hopkins, the amount of award money available for distribution has jumped from \$1.1 million during the first two years, to the current \$2.3 million.

Hopkins said \$1.6 million is distributed to non-profit organizations within the state to help low income students and their parents pay for secondary schooling, whether that be four-year colleges and universities, two-year colleges or technical and vocational institutions.

“We have two focuses, our sub grant process and then strengthening our outreach,” Hopkins said, referring to the distribution of funds. “The rest of the money (\$700,000) is used by the Missouri Department of Higher Education.”

With the extra funds, they offer a variety of services to students and parents, such as funding their FAFSA centers.

Hopkins explained that the non-profit organizations are in competition for the \$1.6 million. His main concern, however, is trying to reach high school students in not just urban areas but rural areas as well.

“We have awardees based in all geographic areas who have contact with the community they serve,” Hopkins said.

Hopkins would like to try and distribute the awards evenly, although it is competitive.

“I’d like for students even in rural communities to hear about the grant,” he said.

As the economy gradually rises, Missouri colleges and universities are stuck facing the slings and arrows of budget cuts and steeper tuition prices. Meanwhile, not just lower income students but all students scramble to scour up enough funds to compensate.

MARYVILLE SMOKING BAN



Smoldering spite

How the ban passed through a legal loophole

BY PHILIP GRUENWALD
Opinion Editor

The events leading up to the city-wide smoking ban Oct. 1 are carefully documented in the minutes of the Maryville City Council. Marvin Wiley, president of the management committee of the American Legion post 100, knows the verbiage of the infamous bill. He lists how each new installment is enumerated, starting from the initial smoking restriction in restaurants in June 2003 up to the recent ban. Yet, his bitter sentiment toward the ban joins that of others who still do not believe justice was adequately served – they think the people’s opinions were disregarded.

“I think it got railroaded in,” Wiley said. “They didn’t give the option for the people. That’s the big deal right there.”

The “they” Wiley refers to is the City Council, whose specific laws spell out an elusive goal for those wanting to place a proposition on a ballot. In order for the smoking ban to appear on a public ballot, Wiley and his comrades would have needed signatures from 25 percent of the number of registered voters. That works out to about 1,800 signatures, according to City Clerk Sheila Smail, which is a tougher percentage requirement than other local governments in Missouri. Even here, Wiley contests that his side followed necessary protocol.

“We turned in 1,500 signatures stating that it needed to be brought before a public vote, and there were

several other bars that turned in the same kind of a deal, and they said they couldn’t get enough people to bring it before the public to vote,” Wiley said. “Personally, I don’t think they tried. I think they were afraid that if they put it on a ballot that it might not pass.”

Ban opponents were confounded when their signatures were not enough to meet requirements.

“A lot of theirs weren’t from citizens inside the city limits,” Smail said. “A good share of theirs did not count.”

Coincidentally, proponents of the ban were also working to reach that 1,800 signature benchmark to place the bill on the ballot.

“The council was encouraged to go ahead and vote on it,” Terry Harr, a key player with Citizens for Smoke-Free Nodaway County said. “We would still go on collecting signatures if it was voted down. But they voted yes, and passed it themselves, which is the way it should have been in the first place.”

Former mayors Michael Thompson, Marlin Slagle and Bridget Brown appeared at hearings May 24 to compel the court to do what they had been elected to do: make decisions. Mayor Chad Jackson stated that slightly over half of respondents to an informal survey thought a public vote was necessary.

“Chad Jackson was the first person to say that it should go to the public vote,” Harr said. “But when he found that a majority of the people wanted the council to vote on it, he said, ‘I want to do the thing that people want

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New Harmonies travels to Maryville

BY KARRA SMALL
Missourian Reporter

Music is everywhere. It is on the radio. It is played at county fairs and local events. It is even played at most weddings, a day which some people consider one of the most important of their lives.

There are many types, rap, pop, hip hop, jazz and rock. And one of these is on its way to Maryville. New Harmonies: Celebrating American Roots Music is a showcase of everything roots including sacred songs, gospel, country, bluegrass, blues and

other cultural themes.

The series, which is a Smithsonian made traveling exhibit, is specifically designed to serve small town museums and historical societies.

The Nodaway County Historical Society will house the exhibit and was aided in funding by The Missouri Humanities Council.

Michael Steiner, who serves as president of the Historical Society, said this is a cultural opportunity for locals to experience the history of music.

“The exhibit will be an excellent opportunity for the many residents

of the area who love music of all types to see a first-rate Smithsonian-made exhibit on the history of American roots music.”

Steiner also added that the second floor of the museum will house the exhibit and residents who are familiar with the Historical Society, which is located at First and Walnut, will get to see the place transformed.

The series kicks off tonight and runs until Dec 23.

For a full list of shows, times and locations visit nwmissourinews.com.

Elections go the Republican way

State and local elections finished with Democrats losing majority of races

BY TREY WILLIAMS AND
CASSIE THOMAS
News Editor and Chief Reporter

The race with so much on the line, who will gain or maintain control of congress, has finally come to an end. The results, in Missouri at least, favor the Republican Party.

Starting close to home, in the race for associate circuit judge, Glen Dietrich (Dem.) won with 98.5 percent of the votes. Robert Schieber (Dem.) finished atop the race for presiding commissioner of the county commission with 97.9 percent of the votes. The new clerk of the circuit court is Elaine Wilson (Rep.) who won with 55.5 percent of the votes. The new clerk of the county commission, with 98.8 percent of the votes, is Beth Walker (Dem.). With 58.2 percent of the votes, Robert Rice (Rep.) is the new prosecuting attorney and Sandra Smail (Dem.) who gained 99 percent of the votes, is the new recorder.

For Missouri’s new U.S. senator, Roy Blunt (Rep.) won gaining 61 percent of the votes. In the close race for state auditor, Tom Scheich (Rep.) came out on top with 51.1 percent of the votes. Sam Graves (Rep.,) the incumbent for U.S. representative of the 6th district, will remain in office earning 75.7 percent of the votes. State senator of the 12th district went to Brad Lager (Rep.) who received 97.9 percent of the votes. Republican Mike Thomson won the race for state representative of the 4th district with 81.8 percent of the votes. Also on the ballot were

three Constitutional Amendments to the Missouri Constitution, each of which passed with substantially more yes votes than no. Percentages of yes votes were 74.3 percent for Amendment 1, 65.8 percent for Amendment 2 and 84 percent for Amendment 3.

Voters were also able to voice their opinion on two statutory measure propositions that began as citizen initiatives.

Proposition A, also known as the Let Voters Decide Initiative, passed with 69.1 percent yes votes. This proposition focuses on earning taxes and could potentially lead to the elimination of earnings taxes in some Missouri cities. It takes away the right of authorities to use earning taxes to fund their budgets and requires any new earning taxes to be approved by voters first.

Proposition B, also known as the Puppy Mill Initiative, also passed, but in a much closer race. The percent of yes votes was 51.5 percent, with no votes totaling 48.5 percent. This proposition will require large scale breeders to provide breeding dogs with proper care, including sufficient food, housing and exercise. It will also limit dog breeders to having no more than 50 breeding dogs and create a misdemeanor or crime for puppy mill cruelty for any violations.

Barbara Schmitz, a member of Missourians for the Protection of Dogs, worked hard alongside other members to fight for the passage of this proposition.

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HOMEcoming PARADE



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DELTA CHI MEMBER Kyle Dohnenbaur does a back hand spring during the parade on Saturday. Delta Chi placed second in the dancing clowns competition.

HOMECOMING TRADITIONS



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THE 13th ANNUAL FLAG Raising event took place at 2 p.m. Friday at the Joyce and Harvey White Internation Plaza on campus. Students from 33 countries were represented in the ceremony.



FILE PHOTO
ZANE ROBINSON FROM team Ron Burgundy did the “In Their Shoes Challenge” which required him apply makeup to in last year’s Amazing Race.

Amazing Race searches for knowledge, prizes

BY CAROLE MYERS
Missourian Reporter

The annual Amazing Race scavenger hunt is only days away and the B.R.I.D.G.E committee is working around the clock to make this event the best yet. The Amazing Race is designed to test the participants on how much they know, not only about the campus, but the world outside of the United States as well. The scavenger hunt takes place on numerous sites around the campus and everyone is welcome to participate. The scavenger hunt consists of eight challenges and teams of two. The participants will read a clue packet and search for the right answer, which is located on campus. Food will be provided following the race and a brief prize ceremony. The first place team receives an iPod touch, second place

team receives a digital camera and the third place team receives an external hard drive. In past years the B.R.I.D.G.E committee manually organized the scavenger hunt, but this year they are trying something new. A B.R.I.D.G.E, Ash Gambhir created a computer program that would automatically sort where each team was required to search. “This system is more efficient and impartial. It allows everyone to have a fair chance,” Gambhir said. There will be an informational meeting tomorrow in the station executive suite room at 4:00 p.m. “This is a unique event that brings in knowledge of the campus and the world. It is a fun way for people to learn about the world and themselves as individuals,” Gambhir said. The event will start at noon at the bell tower.

Class collects keys for organization

BY DAKOTA JONES
Chief Reporter

The Ronald McDonald House is a safe haven for families with children suffering from life threatening illnesses. The organization’s main focus is to provide free lodging to families of children who have been hospitalized. This organization gives everyone an opportunity to get involved in fundraising in simple ways. For several Northwest students, this sparked an interest to find a way to get the campus and community involved in helping children. On Oct. 30th the class set up a booth in the tailgating area before the Homecoming game. From noon to 2 p.m., they collected old and unwanted keys. “They sell them as scrap metal to earn money for the charities they provide,” Junior Olivia Kirby said. “The keys are melted down and recycled.” The class’ goal was to collect three to five pounds

of keys throughout the duration of the assignment. So far they have collected six pounds. “I told them to set a specific goal that was a stretch, but was also realistic.” Associate Professor Leach Steffens said. “I would have never guessed they would have exceeded that goal. Not very many people know about the key drive, so it’s an exciting feeling.” They had a hard time finding an organization to support, but once Kirby suggested the Ronald McDonald House, it was a clear and easy choice. “We knew we wanted to do something for kids. And this was the most logical thing for us.” Kirby said. “It’s something that helps a lot of people that actually need it. It’s free for the families that use the services and helps kids stay connected with their families during a time that they need it most.” The class will collect keys until Thanksgiving break.



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New vision comes to fruition

BY AUSTIN BUCKNER
Managing Editor

During his first year as University president, John Jasinski, in accordance with the Northwest Leadership Team, has put a new focus on what makes Northwest unique. This is answered in the University’s newly revised mission, vision and values statement, approved by the Board of Regents at their regular meeting on Friday. University Provost Douglas Dunham said a new mission, vision and values statement is the by-product of new leadership at the University. “When you have a change in a new president, there’s always the opportunity then for new ideas,” Dunham said. “One of the things we noticed when the Leadership Team was reviewing (the statement) is that our old mission statement was very long and difficult for people to recite. Nobody really understood or was able to identify what the mission and visions were.” Jackie Elliott, vice president of finance, explained the importance of an easily understood mission, vision and values statement for University faculty, staff and students. “Anytime an organization has missions, visions and values, they drive every decision that

you make,” Elliott said. “You would hope organizations would ask themselves ‘how does what I’m going to do align with our mission and visions?’ Our mission tells other people how we distinguish ourselves from the competition. The mission statement really becomes the epitome of who we are.” The revisions to the mission, vision and values statement is a project the Northwest Leadership Team and Strategic Planning Team has been working on for well over a year. Elliott said a lot of feedback from faculty, staff and students was taken into consideration when reconfiguring the statement. “The first step of strategic planning is to review your mission, visions and values,” Elliott said. “This is typically done through a S.W.O.T. analysis – Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats. How you get information about strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats is by getting feedback from your stakeholders. This happened to be the cat scratch boards, Bearcattitude. All of those inputs became what we used to develop (the new statement).” Visit our website, nwmissourinews.com, to read the new mission, vision and values statement.



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Workforce development

Maryville residents get opportunity for enhancement

BY CASSIE THOMAS
Chief Reporter

Residents of Northwest Missouri who struggle to find jobs are able to receive help in finding a way to meet their needs. A workforce development program offered through the Missouri Career Center has recently been modified to benefit job seekers.

The main purpose of this program is to help those who are unemployed evaluate and develop their skills and to assist them to find a job or determine the necessary training or schooling for their desired career. Resources available range from skill evaluation to interview training and ultimately job placement.

“Workforce development is a key part of economic development,” Tye Parsons, director of the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, said. “Our goal is to help develop the region as a whole. We can’t do that without workforce development programs.”

The Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments and the Missouri Career Center are working together to ensure that this program is fully developed and provides all necessary resources to members of the community who are unemployed. As of July 1, the program has added various services to improve available resources. This helps guarantee that those who use these services are getting the maximum benefits from their efforts.

Kim Mildward, director of workforce development at the Maryville location of the Missouri Career Center, oversees the program and services offered through this program.

“Workforce development programs we offer all run through the Missouri Career Center here,” Mildward said. “It is an opportunity for individuals to come in and search for jobs, work on resume cover letters, and other skills they can do self-paced in our resource area and also inquire about programs that may be able to assist them with further training.”

This local workforce development program is run out of the Missouri Career

Center located at 1212B S. Main St.

“It’s really a one stop shop,” Mildward said. “It’s a place where they can come and find all their resources in one location”

These services are available to members of the community free of charge, as the workforce development program is funded entirely by tax dollars, according to Mildward.

“Most of our services are available to anyone,” Mildward said. “If they are in the core services, such as helping with resumes, mock interviewing, workshops — those are free to anyone, same with the basic assessments.”

The workforce development services are also beneficial to the Maryville community because an overall increase in employment stimulates the economy.

“It’s a good way for individuals who aren’t working to come in and update some of their skills, look at what jobs are available and get help in being best prepared for going to those interviews so they can secure the job they want,” Mildward said. “That then puts more money in the community because that person has now gone to work, hopefully at a better wage than they were, and are able to spend those dol-

lars in the local stores. So we’re one of the few programs that actually puts money back into the economy.” Parsons agrees that programs like these are beneficial for the local economy.

“When a person has a job, it not only supports their family, but also puts money back in the community, which helps the local and regional economy,” Parsons said.

The workforce development office has recently acquired new services, new workshops and new resources to do everything possible to benefit those who are unemployed in light of the economy’s current condition.

“It’s difficult to find a job right now, and that’s because the economy is still in recovery,” Mildward said. “So if they’re not using our services, it’s an opportunity to try some different things and if they have it’s a good opportunity for them to come in and try some of our new resources.”



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AMANDA PETERFISH-SCHRAG takes her children Eli and Celia to the Maryville trick-or-treat in the square on last Thursday. Local families walked between sixth street and first to local buisnesses who handed out candy to all the trick-or-treaters.

Guys & Dolls give more than a clip

BY AMANDA CANNON
Missourian Reporter

It is nice to get a haircut and look good, but what if there was a way to get a haircut and feel good, too?

This Sunday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., haircuts are half price at Guys & Dolls Hair Studio in their annual event, Clip for a Cause. The Guys & Dolls’ team will donate their time and talents to help one of their own.

“It’s a way for us to reach out to people and use our talents to help,” Mindy Hunziger, owner and stylist at Guys & Dolls Hair Studio. “It is also a way to help out

usual clients with a nice discount.”

This year, all the proceeds go to Matt and Tina Spurgin. Tina has been a part of the Guys and Dolls team for over three years. Tina and her family have been battling pancreatic cancer since December of last year.

Guys & Dolls Hair Studio is not normally open on Sundays, but once a year they open on their anniversary date to raise money with wet cuts for half price. Walk-ins are more than welcome. The family sponsored is different each year.

“Tina is the lady who

prompted the idea of Clip for a Cause,” Hunziger said.

Door prize drawings will be given as well as gift bags of product samples to the first 150 who attend the event. Some door prizes were donated to the hair studio by other local business from around town. Spurgin’s family also will be donating their time to help with the event.

“This is a team effort who takes their own time to help out with the cause. I couldn’t do it alone,” Hunziger said. “The Guys & Dolls team of nine will be sponsoring a good day to pay it forward.”

Tracking offenders through emails

BY LESLIE NELSON
Chief Reporter

Missouri residents now have a new way to track sex offenders in their area.

On Oct. 18, the Missouri State Highway Patrol launched a new email alert system that lets Missourians know when sex offenders move into their neighborhood.

Residents can sign up for the emails on the Missouri State Highway Patrol’s website, mshp.dps.missouri.gov. They will receive an initial email

with a list of current sex offenders in their area and another e-mail within 24 hours whenever an offender moves into that area.

Residents can even choose how large of a radius they want to search, from 500 feet up to five miles. They can receive alerts on up to five different addresses and five specific offenders.

According to Tammy Byrd, Missouri Sex Offender Registry supervisor, this system is much faster than it was in the past.

Residents continually had to check the sex

offender registry for new names or updates.

“They would have to get on the website and look it up if they were interested,” Nodaway County Deputy Randy Houston said.

There was no way to tell if the list had changed.

With 23 offenders listed in Nodaway County, residents can now feel safer knowing where those offenders are.

“At least you’ll be able to know who’s around you so you can take a more proactive approach to protecting your kids,” Byrd said.

POLICE BLOTTER

Blotter from Nodaway County Sheriff’s Department, Maryville Department of Public Safety The Nodaway County Sheriff’s and the Maryville Public Safety Departments provided incidents reported in this log. All subjects are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Nov. 1
There is an ongoing investigation for property damage, 700 block North Mulberry Street.

Oct. 30
Dustin A. Sump, 19, Clarinda, IA, was charged with disorderly conduct and minor in possession, 100 block West 6th Street.

Aaron L. Williams, 19, city, was charged with disorderly conduct and trespassing, 1500 block North Main.

Oct. 29
Morgan L. Gardener, 19, Lake Lotawana, MO, was charged with a minor in possession, 100 block West 5th Street.

Katrina M. Burden, 19, Conception JCT., MO, was charged with a minor in possession, 100 block West 5th Street.

Brandon K. Clark, 21, city, was charged with an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle, 300 block North Buchanan.

Kemper R. Kellerstrass, 19, Cameron, MO, was charged with a minor in possession, 400 block North Buchanan.

Lisa M. Heath, 23, city, was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, 300 bock North Fillmore.

Whitney L. Barluch, 19, Kansas

City, MO, was charged with a minor in possession, 400 block North Buchanan. Accidents

Oct. 30
North Main & West 1st Street
Driver 1: Jerry A. Fagan, 20, Lincoln, NB/Citation – C&I
Francis Francis E. Myers, 62, city

Oct. 29
North Main & East 3rd Street
Driver 1: Kael W. Martin, 23, city/citation – C&I
Driver 2: Taylor M. Stanton, 19, city
Driver 3: Whitney E. Featherstone, 22, city
Driver 4: Brittany M. Karloff, 21, Gretna, NB

Oct 28.
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OUR VIEW

Smoking burned out

In their noble quest to improve Maryville's indoor air quality, Citizens for Smoke-Free Nodaway County opened up a Pandora's box of unpleasant inequalities. Take a look: personal freedom to smoke versus personal freedom to breathe clean air; business loss versus an increase in communal health; and the purity of true democracy versus the efficiency of representative democracy.

This last one is especially thought-provoking. Mayor Chad Jackson's informal survey

found that more people wanted their elected officials to make the decision on the smoking ban for them.

The blessing and curse of a representative democracy is that right now, someone is making a decision concerning your best interests. This can be a wonderful thing. Yet, in the case of the smoking ban, where bars like the Legion were thrown under the bus without consent in the interest of political efficiency, five people decided on a very sensitive issue that affected thousands

of people. The key here is the importance of the issue.

If added to the public ballot, would the ban have passed? According to the percentage of smokers in Nodaway County, probably. Should it have still been voted upon? Certainly. Ban opponents will always be able to say a bitter "coulda, woulda, shoulda" and argue that their hard-fought right to vote was taken away. Like the old adage says, if you do not vote, you cannot complain.

This ban is the capstone of a 7-year-old process. Now, for



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the implement with the greatest scope and effect on citizens, Maryville City Council opts to single-handedly take care of the issue. Sure, they sent

surveys and gathered public opinion. Their actions followed their constitution. But for a case like this, the people should have nailed their own coffin. If

Maryville citizens decide that they should not be allowed to smoke in their own businesses, then Maryville government has done its job.

Resolutions for candy intake in Halloween 2011

Halloween has come and passed. Once again, thousands of children (and quite a few adults) have indulged themselves in the decadent treasures of tasty titillation. Many of us have already stuffed ourselves so full of candy that we are nearly a walking candy shop; this is despite the many adverse health effects that are associated with the intake of candy, particularly in large doses.

When a child asks, "Trick or Treat?" they are establishing a contract. If we do not give them a treat, we will be tricked. By this reasoning, we all deserve to be tricked; what child wishes to be treated with bad health? Instead, we should treat them with a longer, healthier life.

The trick to treating is not to cut candy cold turkey. Rather, the path to better treating is to moderate the intake of candy and replacing a part of this intake with less destructive alternatives. One may ask, "Is it really that big a deal? This indulgence only occurs one day each year, and candy surely is not quite so bad." This is fairly accurate. It is certainly not out of the ordinary to have one "splurge" day on occasion. Unfortunately, the latter half of the statement is not as true as desired. Candy really can be that bad.

Amanda Chan in MyHealthNewsDaily illuminates some of the worst candies, and relates the statistics

involving them:

Mr. Goodbar: A 49-gram Mr. Goodbar will cost you 250 calories, 17 grams of fat (including seven grams of saturated fat) and 23 grams of sugar.

NutRageous: Another nutty candy, a 51-gram NutRageous bar, will run you 260 calories, 16 grams of fat (including five grams of saturated fat) and 22 grams of sugar.

Snickers: Maybe a Snickers bar really should be a meal on its own. A 59-gram bar has 280 calories, 14 grams of fat — (including five grams of saturated fat) and 30 grams of sugar.

Some candies such as pixie sticks, jolly ranchers and blow pops redeem these others. The statistics on these candies are much more optimistic.

The best advice for a healthy Halloween is to eat in moderation. Just have a few pieces, and put the rest away for later. It is not necessary to eat it all in one day. Further, think about giving out such treats as Halloween themed toys or healthy but tasty snacks. It is not as exciting as the sugary goods, but excitement is a small price to pay for longer life.



Jacob Taylor
Contributing Columnist

CAMPUS TALK

Do you think smoking should be allowed in bars?



"The bars are places for people to go to socialize, and a lot of people just smoke to socialize."

Edwin Whitney
IDM New Media



"No, smoking should not be allowed because I am looking out for others' lives. I am protecting them."

Garrett Gassman
Business Management



"I think there should be a designated area for smoking because some people don't want the smoke to be continuously blown in their face."

Maneck Dydel
Undecided



"I do not think smoking should be in bars because bars are small places, and there is plenty of room for people to just go outside."

Martise Hicks
Psychology/Sociology



"Smoking and drinking go hand in hand. Therefore, smoking should be allowed in the bars."

Olivia Clark
Secondary Social Science Education

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None and Done: Dangers of Four Loko

"One and done, that's what I always say." This is one of Columbus' memorable quotes from the movie Zombieland when Tallahassee hands him a shot and Columbus tosses it out of the window when Tallahassee is not looking. So, I guess the saying really should be "none and done, that's what I always say." Well, the saying none and done should apply to everyone when it comes to alcoholic beverages mixed with energy drinks.

Alcohol is dangerous enough by itself or mixed with soda, but mixed with energy drinks it takes on a whole new level of danger. According to WebMD, mixing alcohol with energy drinks triples one's risk of getting drunk.

An interview was given by students at the University of Florida between 10 p.m. and 3 a.m. to people leaving bars in a college partying area in Florida.



Macaulay Montague
Contributing Columnist

The average alcohol breath reading for people who drank energy drink and alcohol cocktails was .109, much higher than the legal driving limit of .08. However, the average alcohol breath reading for people who only drank alcohol-no energy drink consumption or form of mixing- was .081. This interview also revealed that people who drank alcohol mixed with

energy drinks, also known as AMED, drank longer than those who drank only alcohol.

According to Bruce Goldberger, PhD, director of toxicology at the University of Florida, people drink for longer when drinking AMED because caffeine reduces drowsiness felt by more intoxicated people. It is also commonly thought that the stimulant of the energy drink counteracts the depressant effect that alcohol has, but it actually aggravates intoxication. So next time you think about mixing alcohol with energy drinks, or decide to grab a convenient pre-mixed AMED such as Four Lokos, heed Columbus' words, and either one and done it, or more intelligently, none and done it.

WHAT THE DEUCE

Legal weed's false logic up in flames



MCT CAMPUS

The Tijuana, Mexico, seizure and incineration of a record-breaking 134 tons of marijuana last week has ignited the case for the legalization of the drug in the U.S. California was the first state to hold a public vote on the issue, as citizens voted it down Tuesday.

The largest marijuana bust in Mexican history equates to about 334 million joints, according to the LA Times. Authorities say the drugs were on their way to America when Mexican police opened fire on the smugglers. Later, three mass-sacred bodies or murdered victims were publicly hung — speculatively by the drug cartel — as a way of showing that the authorities are not in control.

Drug trafficking is at the center of the illegal immigrant crime issue in America, as well as a contributor to the towering rates of other crimes. The issue made its way onto California ballots because enough people believe that legalization would make the chaos disappear.

Thankfully, California citizens decided not to follow that logic, if it can even be called so. If lawmakers believe the best solution is to sacrifice the law to appease a growing criminal mass, perhaps they are the ones smoking dope.

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Hunt Family band delights students

BY KEENAN ROBERTSON
Missourian Reporter

Tonight the Ron Houston Center for the Performing Arts will fill with the echo from the performance of the Hunt Family from Chesapeake, Va. The Hunt Family is brought to campus as part of the 2010-2011 Encore Series.

The Hunt Family consists of nine members; parents Clint and Sally Hunt, and their seven children; twins Jessi and Jenni, Joshua, Jonathon, Jordan, Justin and Jamison. The show is highly energetic and incorporates a hodgepodge of traditional Irish step dancing with award-winning fiddle playing on top of several other instruments, which include the guitar, bass, keys, drums and mandolin.

“The message (of the show) is really that there is still good, quality family entertainment,” Clint Hunt said. “The show is very diverse. One song will be traditional Celtic music featuring dancing and fiddles, and the next could feature electric guitars and drums.”

The Hunts have been performing as a family for the last ten years. From 2002 to 2004, the Hunts performed at Busch Gardens-Williamsburg doing three to four shows a day. Their children have won several competitions. Jessi and Jenni have both won fiddle competitions up and down the east coast and four of the boys are nationally and world ranked Irish step dancers. Jonathon is a five-time world ranked step dancer.

“This year’s series was



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THE NINE-MEMBER Hunt Family will bring its high-energy show to Northwest Thursday, Nov. 4. The family performs original, Celtic, bluegrass, inspirational and popular tunes.

designed with families in mind. Providing the arts to your family can sometimes be expensive,” director of Campus Activities Angel McAdams –Prescott said. “But our series strives to make a night out at the theater affordable and readily available to the Maryville area. This performance will be non-stop energy and

something kids and adults of all ages will enjoy.”

Reserved tickets are now available online and will be available up until the time of the show. Ticket prices range from \$13-\$15 for Northwest students for balcony or orchestra seating, respectively. Tickets are an additional \$10 for adults.

ELECTION: Majority shift in house

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“Missouri is the puppy mill capital of the country,” Schmitz said. “The passage of proposition B will bring relief to many dogs and provide them with release from their small cages and the exercise they need.”

Schmitz and her group worked to get this proposition on the ballot when legislators did not hear their original voice to help the dogs, according to Schmitz.

“When everyone is working hard for something you’re bound to get a positive result,” Schmitz

said. “Now we are looking forward to working alongside commercial breeders to bring more humane conditions, and hoping to see Missouri officials listen to the voice of the people and step up on enforcement and crack down on those in violation.”

OBITUARIES

WENDY JO JACKSON

Wendy Jo Jackson 35, of Maryville, MO passed away Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the St. Francis Hospital in Maryville after a five month battle with cancer.

Wendy was born on March 13, 1975 in Trenton, MO, to Rick and Ellyn Fuller, and lived all of her life in the Maryville area. She had attended NWMSU, and worked at Kawasaki Motors Manufacturing Corp, Maryville.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother Connie Fuller, on May 31, 2010.

On December 12, 1998, she married Timothy M. Jackson. He survives of the home. She is also survived by her three sons, Cody, Tyson, and Logan, also of the home.

Other Survivors include her parents, Rick and Ellyn Fuller, Burlington Junction, MO, her brother, Wes Fuller, Maryville, MO, her grandfather, Donald Fuller, Humphreys, MO, her grandmother, Doris Boram, Milan, MO, two aunts, Kris Johnson, and her son Ryan, Monett, MO, and Rita Thomas, and her children, Chasity, and Dalton, Meadville, MO, and her best friend/sister, Amanda Gilman of Maryville, MO.

Wendy’s funeral service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, November 6, 2010 at the Bram-Danfelt Funeral Home, Maryville. Burial will be in the Camp Ground Cemetery, Osgood, MO. The family will receive friends from 6-8:00 p.m. Friday, November 5, 2010 at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to the Abrielle Neff Foundation, 16835 Icon Road, Pickering, MO. 64476, or to the family, and can be directed to the Bram-Danfelt Funeral Home, 206 East South Hills Drive, Maryville, MO. 64468.

Services are under the direction of the Bram-Danfelt Funeral Home, Maryville, MO.

For online guest book and obituary, visit www.bramfuneralhome.com.

WEEKEND CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday Nov. 5

All Day - Brick & Click Libraries

All Day - Tickets on Sale - The Wizard of Oz

6:00 pm - St. Joseph Alumni & Friends Chapter Progressive Dinner

6:00 pm - Appetizers with the Newman’s
7240 SE Summit Dr.

7:00 pm - Main Course with the Roach’s

7:00 pm - Volleyball at Central Missouri, Warrensburg

Saturday Nov. 6

All Day - Alpha Delta Pi 5-year Anniversary

Cross Country MIAA Championships, Hays, KS

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The schedule for Green and White Visit Days will be:

9-9:25 a.m. Registration

9:30-10:15 a.m. Admissions Overview

10:15-11:30 a.m. Group Tour of Campus (5-6 families in a group)

11:30-12:30 p.m. Departmental and Student Services Fair

noon Financial Aid and Scholarship Session

9:00 am - MS-ACS Comprehensive Exam

12:00 pm - The Amazing Race

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1:30 pm - Football at Central Missouri, Warrensburg

Sunday Nov. 7

All Day - Daylight Savings Time ends

3:00 pm - Tower Choir concert

7:00 pm - Newman Catholic Center Mass

7:00 pm - Senior/Graduate Recital: Ashley Smith (French Horn) and Jessica Nance (Clarinet)

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SMOKE: Legal but unpopular

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me to do.”

July 12, the bill was approved by a split 2-2 council and Jackson giving the final nod in favor of the ban. But City Council records show a key step that could have significantly changed the outcome.

“Motion was made by Councilman Wake to exclude all bars from being included as a smoke-free establishment by the adoption of the ordinance,” the minutes read. “Because of a lack of a second to the motion, the motion died.”

Wake’s proposal could have been the last option for those on Wiley’s side. Yet even if the bill or Wake’s proposal had been placed on public ballot in April, Harr was confident that the victory would still be theirs.

“Our coalition would never give up,” Harr said. “We’re a grassroots organization that has worked really, really hard because we think that employees are worth protecting from something that could kill them.”

Wiley believes the bill should be reconsidered. He says an amendment should be added that excludes private businesses. If so, he believes the Legion would follow the lead of the ELKS and become a private organization to keep people – smokers and non – coming in for drinks.

“Right now, we’re just trying to figure out how to create things to bring people in here, because the 30-40 percent of business that we’ve lost hurts us,” Wiley said. “If things don’t change, that door’s going to end up getting locked.”

According to Smail, they can certainly present their case again to the council, although she personally believes the decision is final.

“We’ve had the public hearings several times for people to come in and give their views of it, but I just can’t imagine there being anything new to discuss,” Smail said.

Weeks after the bill went into effect, a wholesale delivery worker dropped off boxes at the Legion, joking with a few of the patrons that he will come back when he can smoke there.

“I’m working on it,” Wiley replied.

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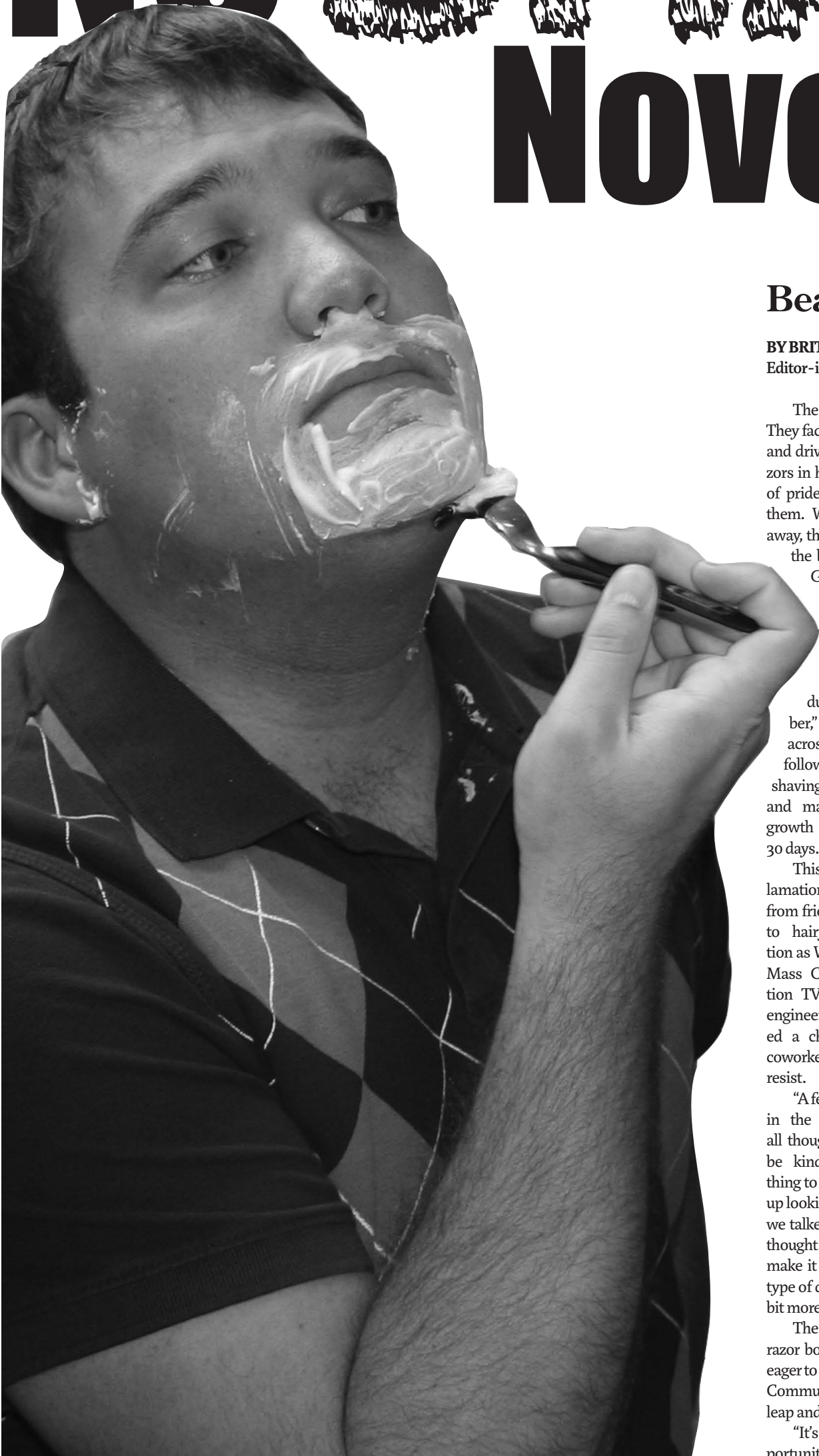
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NO SHAVE November



BRITTANY KEITHLEY | EDITOR-IN-CHIEF
SENIOR DANNY THOMPSON shaves on Nov. 1 to kick off “No Shave November”. Thompson helped sponsor the event as KNWT general manager and will be broadcasting at the Union with KSCV on Fridays during voting.

Beards, goatees for good cause

BY BRITTANY KEITHLEY
Editor-in-Chief

The contestants line up one at a time. They face each other with determination and drive. As they take their places, razors in hand, they strip away each piece of pride, preparing for the days before them. With the last whiskers washed away, the countdown begins to separate the boys from the men. Ready. Set. Grow.

Nov. 1 marked the start of a tradition where men proclaim their masculinity by stashing their razor and sporting a beard. This proclamation was duly noted as “No Shave November,” and men across the world followed suit shaving on Oct. 31, and marking their growth for the next 30 days.

This year’s proclamation morphed from friendly banter to hairy competition as Will Murphy, Mass Communication TV and video engineer, kick started a challenge his coworkers could not resist.

“A few of us here in the department all thought it would be kind of a fun thing to do, and we would see who turns up looking the best,” Murphy said. “After we talked about it a little bit, we kind of thought if we can monetize and maybe make it more toward a charity or some type of donation, it would make it a little bit more fun and add a bit of a challenge.”

The challenge grew from Murphy’s razor bout as contestants soon lined up eager to participate. Doug Sudhoff, Mass Communication chairperson, took the leap and signed on to join the cause.

“It’s a change of pace, and it’s an opportunity to do something different,” Sudhoff said. “It gives me the opportunity to not shave, and I am kind of looking forward to that.”

In order to gauge the most growth, they decided to open up the competition to the Bearcat family, allowing people to vote on their favorite beard with pocket change. The competition allowed Murphy to take the tradition to different heights and help out some local charities.

“We decided to use only local charities, because we know there are a lot in the area who have had their funding cut,” Murphy said. “We thought if our bit of fun can benefit them then all the better,” Murphy said.

As “No Shave November” sweeps the world with separate interpretations by all, Murphy thinks of it as a celebration while his coworkers are glad he attached it to a cause.

“It would be nice to raise a little something extra to give to a local charity,” Sudhoff said. “That’s the underlying thing that makes it worth doing.”

In the broader picture, “No Shave November” promotes awareness for men’s health and testicular cancer, as men join in to bear their God-given right to grow.

The competition drives on as contestants unveil their freshly shaven faces, braving the cold with no whiskery wind

block to protect them. As they document their journey and daydream of hairier times, contestants can be found in the Union this Friday rallying support for their cause as voting opens.

As the beards thicken and razors gather dust, a final twist in the competition lets participants trim, wax and shave to their heart’s desire. The most creative shave will earn contestants half of the money collected to donate to their favorite charity.

When the clock strikes midnight on Nov. 30, watch out as handlebars, goatees and moustaches make their way to campus. Until then, brace yourself because the scruff is out and all razors are off.

“There’s some people like DT who get a five o’clock shadow by lunch and there are others like me who haven’t shaved in a decade, so I really have no clue what my follicle growing potential is. I think its going to be a total crapshoot.”
-Will Murphy
-TV and video engineer

NW Missourians’ Top 8 ways to shave on Nov. 30

 The Ned Flanders	 Short Boxed Beard	 Curly Handlebars	 Soul Patch
 Balbo	 The Wolverine	 Chinstrap	 Pencil

What's HOT

Kate Hudson

This movie star threw her annual Halloween party Saturday night, attracting famous guests from Adam Sandler to Gwen Stefani.

Alanis Morissette

This 36-year-old singer showed off her full-term baby belly while soaking up the sun with her husband in Mexico.

What's NOT

Fourth Mission Impossible

Tom Cruise has announced there will be a fourth Mission: Impossible movie, Mission: Impossible Ghost Protocol. You would think Tom would have learned his lesson after the last two M.I. movies, but he is back to reclaim his role as the ridiculous, egocentric Hunt.

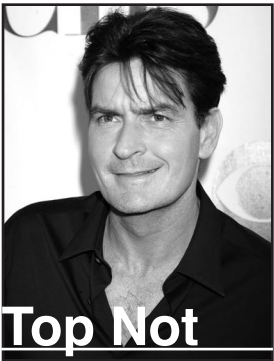
Brandi Glanville

After having a rough time with her ex-husband, who left her for LeAnn Rimes, this divorcee was pulled over last Thursday for drunk driving.



Obama on the Daily Show

So far, President Obama has been the only president brave enough to go on air with John Stewart of the Daily Show. Obama appeared on the show last Thursday.



Charlie Sheen

This "Two and a Half Men" star is still partying out of control, allegedly going on cocaine binges and sharing his company with call girls.

Division II Super Regional 4 Rankings

No.4 Northwest Missouri State



STROLLER: Your man would like a few words with Arizona, Hawaii

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You may not be aware of this, but Arizona does not observe daylight saving time. Worse yet, they haven't since 1967.

Who do you think you are, Arizona? Do you think you're better than the rest of us or something? Why can't you be more like your brother New Mexico?

Now you have tagalong Hawaii joining in on the rebellion, too. Poor little Hawaii. So small, so young, so impressionable. Is this the kind of example you really want to set, Arizona?

The fact that the U.S. Supreme Court has allowed this insubordination for so long is despicable. They really ought to round up their troops, so to speak. And why haven't I seen a presidential campaign on the platform of a return to daylight saving time uniformity? I'm looking at you, Mitt Romney.

I just hope this is the last of the miscreants. It's

bad enough having Arizona and Hawaii deciding to do whatever they want, but then again it's just Arizona and Hawaii, you know what I mean?

It's just the two of them for now, at least. What if other states start to think, "Wait, why should we change our clocks twice a year because the government told us to?" California likes to make its own rules. What if they're next? Soon we could have a whole faction of states exercising the power of states' rights to break away from the union... oh my gosh. Do you see what's happening? It's the 1850s all over again!

Choose your sides, America! Prepare for bloodshed on our soil unseen for generations as the daylight saving time Scuffle pits brother against brother and father against son. Oh, the humanity.

At times like these, we need a strong, unifying leader. Obama, do you have a stovetop hat by chance? How about a beard?

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1978 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

Top '90s Movies found in the library

BY KERI PETERSON
Missourian Reporter

From Beanie Babies to boy bands to Beavis and Butthead, we can all tilt our heads slightly and drift back to our favorite memories from the '90s. Over 10 years later, working hard on our educations, what better way to relive those precious years than to rewatch the epic movies that were created back then? And what better place to rent them? The B.D. Owens library at Northwest for free.

Ranked according to IMDb.com, the countdown begins with the classic movie "Titanic."

"Titanic," directed by James Cameron, was released late in 1997 and quickly became one of the most popular movies of all time. The anticipation left both children and adults waiting outside in the cold, hoping to get a chance to see the love story that was the highlight of everyone's conversation. Jack Dawson, played by Leonardo DiCaprio, and Rose Dewitt Bukater, played by Kate Winslet, met and fell in love on the "unsinkable" ship, becoming one of the most talked about on screen lovers for years to come, which is why "Titanic" ranks at No. 5 on our list.

The next unforgettable movie of that decade is "Forrest Gump." Who could forget the lovable, yet dim-witted, character that Tom Hanks portrayed in this movie. Released in 1994 and based on the novel by Winston Groom, "Forrest Gump" is an amazing story about life and history. The protagonist in this film lived through events in American history first-hand while constantly longing for his true love Jenny, played by Robin Wright. Directed by Robert Zemeckis, Forrest Gump makes us laugh and cry through the remarkable talent Tom Hanks has to offer, making this movie rank in at No. 4.

"The first rule of fight club is, you do not talk about fight club." Well Mr. Durden, this is a movie that was too incredible not to talk about. Directed

by David Fincher and released in 1999, "Fight Club" was a fantastic view into the human psyche, showing just how easy it can be to lose our grip on reality. Edward Norton's character, the narrator, and Brad Pitt's character, Tyler Durden, go through some shocking life changes that lead you up to a twisted ending. And with a remarkable cast including Meatloaf and Helena Bonham Carter, this movie has become quite immortal, making it No. 3 on our list.

"Pulp Fiction" is one of the most highly favored movies of the '90s. Directed by Quentin Tarantino and released in 1994, this movie was a collection of short stories involving gangsters and criminals. Vincent Vega, played by John Travolta, and Jules Winnfield, played by Samuel L. Jackson, are two of the most feared, top-dollar gangsters, who get what they want. This movie had wonderful casting, including Uma Thurman, Bruce Willis, and Christopher Walken, and really could not have been done better. Tarantino creates a masterpiece involving themes of love, life, death, fear, respect, and accounts of rape, overdose, and plenty of comedy, making "Pulp Fiction" No. 2 on our list.

Drum roll please. And the greatest movie from the '90s is none other than "The Shawshank Redemption." Directed by Frank Darabont and released in 1994, this movie was set in 1947 at the Shawshank State Penitentiary in Maine. Protagonist Andy Dufresne, played by Tim Robbins, is wrongly accused of murdering his wife, and sentenced to life in prison where he meets Red, played by Morgan Freeman. The two become close and go through the daily and sometimes horrifying lives of prison inmates, leading up to the climax escape at the end. With some of the best acting and truly moving scenes ever portrayed, this is one movie that viewers will never forget and will always hold close to their hearts, making "The Shawshank Redemption" No. 1 on our list.

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1 Home of Brigham Young University
6 ___ Mahal
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14 Not loaded
15 Ambient music pioneer
16 Swindler with a scheme named for him
17 Hemlock, for one
19 Grain disease
20 See 50-Down
22 Covet
23 Battery, bond or baseball club designation
24 Belgrade's land
27 Libel and slander disputes are part of it
32 See 50-Down
34 Brit. record co.
35 Spanish pronoun
36 Restful resort
37 Prayer opener
38 Old-fashioned get-together
39 See 50-Down
43 "Beanz meanz Heinz," e.g.
45 Truck capacity
46 AIDS-fighting drug
47 ___ dire: juror examination

48 See 50-Down
54 Foreign
56 "The Dick Van Dyke Show" regular
57 ___ Nast
58 Winter hazard
59 Family nickname
60 Tolerated
61 Gives the go-ahead
62 Tart fruit

Down

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2 Wander
3 Upper, in Ulm
4 Spinal column component
5 Like some farming
6 Minute
7 Fresh way to start
8 "Help Me" vocalist Mitchell
9 Alfresco
10 Maker of EverPure shampoo
11 Former Caltech sr., perhaps
12 ___ dye: chemical coloring
13 Little thing to pick
18 Competitor
21 Basilica section
24 Ancient queendom

25 Let up
26 Customary ceremonies
27 It covers the Hill
28 Da Vinci's lang.
29 On the up and up
30 It started as Standard Oil of Indiana
31 Expand
33 John McCain's alma mater: Abbr.
37 Revamp
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40 "The X-Files" extras: Abbr.
41 Ridd's love, in a Blackmore romance
42 They're hard to figure out
44 Rio Grande city
47 Workshop gadgets
48 Skid row figure
49 Charlie's Angels, e.g.
50 Clue for 20-, 32-, 39- and 48-Across
51 "Deal ___ Deal"
52 Lo-cal
53 Bygone Tunisian rulers
54 Summer coolers, briefly
55 Used car site

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SENIOR DEFENSIVE END Coby Keyes wraps up a Cameron ballcarrier Friday. The 'Hounds defeated Cameron 14-0.

Odessa, playoffs visit Maryville again

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

November means one thing in Maryville: playoff time. Two consecutive trips to the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis and multiple conference and district titles to Maryville's name, creates a familiar habit for players and fans to anticipate playing in the first week of November. This year was no different, as Maryville hosted the Class 3 Regional game in the first round of the State Playoffs last night, welcoming Odessa from District 15. The Bulldogs entered the mid-week contest at 5-5, claiming the district runner-up title, behind an unde-

feated effort by Richmond. Odessa made it through district play with a 2-1 mark, winning at Van Horn 50-12 and hosted Oak Grove in a 42-28 victory. Richmond however, laid a 64-13 beat down on the Bulldogs in week one of Districts. "Offensively this year, they have been able to score a lot of points... They do, pretty much, operate out of a one-back offense. We've been real good against the run this year," head coach Chris Holt said. "We feel up front we have an opportunity to control the line of scrimmage and we need to force them to throw the football." Maryville escaped a tight one in Cameron in the final week of regular season play, squeaking out a 14-0 win

against the Dragons. Along the way, the 'Hounds also claimed a 35-21 win over Chillicothe and a 35-0 blowout against the Warriors of St. Pius X in district play. "This is the time of the year where seniors have to use their experience and get this football team going," Holt said. "They didn't respond real well last week, our sophomores made a lot of plays for us last week." The 'Hounds' District Title marks the third consecutive title, making November a constant theme in a program used to success. The score was unavailable at press time, however go to the Northwest Missourian's website for full coverage and results from the Regional game.

DUO: Bolles, Soy set pace for grueling season

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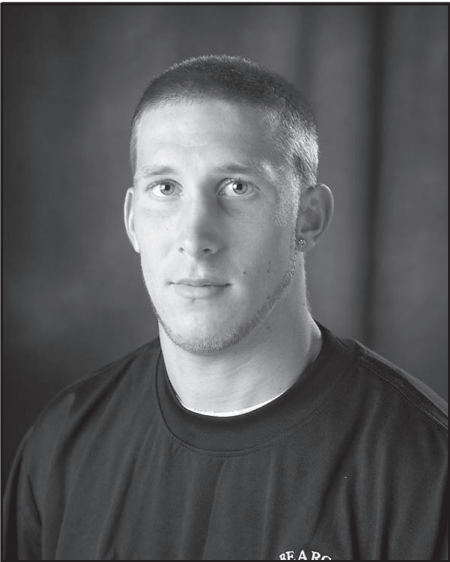
load you have for football with your school work," Bolles said. "I feel like I have adjusted to it pretty well, for the most part, but it's definitely maybe a little bit tougher than I thought it was going to be, just how much time you put into playing football in college." Neither has relied solely on their on-field presence. Instead, both have asserted their presence throughout the entire the program. The resounding evidence came when both were selected as captains, voted by their teammates, to lead during a season with hopes of repeating the results of last year's success. "The fact that (Jake) and I are both captains is huge from an offensive stand point," Bolles said. "We communicate so much as it is, it's just one extra added thing to where if there is something going on where we feel like we need to do something different in practice as a team, or as a unit, me and him can talk to each other." In the two's time in a Bearcat uniform, both have rewritten the record books. Soy shattered the team and MIAA's single season touchdown receptions last year with 27, and recently tied the career touchdown reception record against Fort Hays, with his

38th touchdown. He also has the record for most touchdown receptions in a game with four, accomplishing the feat twice, and most receiving yards in a season with 1,559 yards. Bolles has compiled a decorated career, as well. He holds the career passing touchdown record for the 'Cats at 70, most touchdowns thrown in a regular season, 35 touchdowns, and full season, 42, the highest completion percentage in all games in Northwest history with a 69.5 percent success rate and the most passing yards in a regular season, 3,204 yards, and full season, 4,145 yards. Regardless of the success Soy has compiled with the help of Bolles, there are still days he wonders, what if? "Sometimes you see other students walk around campus and sometimes you're like, 'what would it be like if I was just a regular student'" -Jake Soy Wide reciever "Sometimes you see other students walk around campus and sometimes you're like, 'what would it be like if I was just a regular student,'" didn't have three more hours of the day to go practice when it's cold out, rainy out," Soy said. "Kind of put yourself in their shoes for a second." However, both student-athletes embrace the grueling season, knowing what possibilities lie ahead. With another National Title to be chased down, one thing is sure: these two are up for the challenge.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

BEARCATS

Blake Bolles



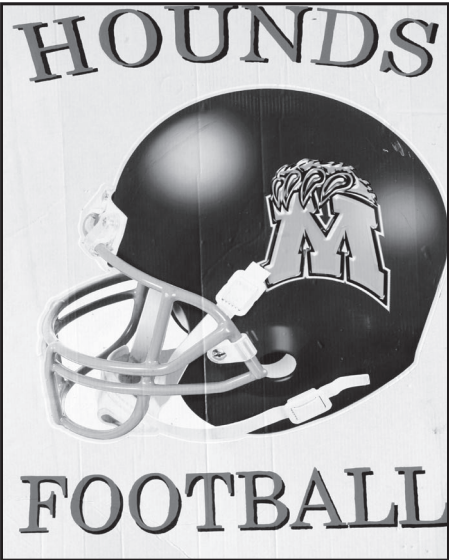
Senior quarterback Blake Bolles claimed his second Don Black Award with his four touchdowns that included two passing and two rushing.

Paige Spangenberg



Senior libero Paige Spangenberg was named MIAA Player of the Week with 77 digs in a three-match stretch. She and the 'Cats are now fifth in the region.

Maryville Defense



The Maryville defense allowed only 75 total yards to the Cameron Dragons and forced three turnovers, producing the team's third shutout of the season.

Sydney Rogers



Sophomore runner Sydney Rogers finished 27th at Districts with a time of 23:24 minutes. She missed the cut of the Top 15, to qualify for the State meet.

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Simmons, Austin take new roles

BY JASON LAWRENCE
Missourian Reporter

With the big name running backs just little more than recent memory and names atop the record books, a tandem of small backs have spearheaded Northwest's running game.

Senior Kelvin Austin and sophomore Jordan Simmons have combined to create a formidable rushing attack with the graduation of LaRon Council and injuries to three other running backs.

"We knew we were going to get a lot of significant playing time with LC being gone," Simmons said. "We're just trying to do our one-eleventh. Me and him are basically holding down the running backs since we've had a lot of injuries. We've got a big load carrying the running backs around. I think we've done a pretty good job."

Both came to Northwest to stay close to home and came into this season knowing their roles would be important, but neither expected the workload they are getting now.

"I wasn't expecting my role to be as big as it is now, but I was sure it was going to be important," Austin said. "Whatever role it was going to be, it was going to be important."

"I'm ready for it. I just want to shine every week and help my team win."



LORI FRANKENFIELD | PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR

SOPHOMORE RUNNING BACK Jordan Simmons attempts to outrun a Fort Hays defender on Saturday. Simmons is currently the team leading rusher and kick returner.

Austin leads the team with seven rushing touchdowns and has taken on the role as one of the team's vocal leaders, while Simmons leads the team in rushing yards with 424 and is the team's top return man.



Kelvin Austin
Running Back

They feel like they complement each other and push each other, switching out every three plays.

"There's not a big difference, that's noticeable (in the two)," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "I think the neat thing about it is that they're both very supportive of each other. They do everything they can to help each other and they're not at all worried about how much 'I' get to play. They want to do whatever it takes for our team

to win."

Even though they feel that most people underestimate how hard they run, they still have their eyes set on the ultimate prize and feel that the team has the weapons to get it.

"All the way," Simmons said. "I'm pretty sure me and him have the same confidence in this team that everybody else does. We just need to tighten up on the little things and everyone does their one-eleventh...Alabama."



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SENIOR FORWARD KELSEY Sanders prepares to knock in a goal Saturday. The 'Cats fell to Nebraska-Omaha 3-1.

Senior notches goal in home finale

BY BRYCE MERENESS
Missourian Reporter

Senior Day at Bearcat Pitch witnessed early fireworks by senior Kelsey Sanders in the match-up with Nebraska-Omaha.

Sanders received a crossing pass from freshman Anna Calgaard, and put Northwest on top in the 14th minute.

"It's really a great feeling knowing that I contributed to scoring," Sanders said. "We didn't get the result we wanted, but to score my last time ever playing on Bearcat Pitch feels really good."

The Bearcats tried to hold on to the lead until halftime, but were finally outdone in the 37th minute. Junior Hayley Renshaw made a run down the sideline and the 'Cats were forced to defend a corner. The ensuing corner kick fell to the feet of freshman Melanie McCormick who knocked in her first goal of the year.

"We let down our guard after that goal," head coach Tracy Hoza said. "It would be nice to come in at halftime having them be one goal down, but they were putting a lot of pressure on us, and it was only a matter of time and we couldn't sustain that pressure for the first half."

The second half saw the Mavericks take the lead. Freshman Megan Kingston stuck home another corner kick in the 54th minute. Then, in the 63rd minute, freshman Monica Bosilevac made it 3-1.

"We tried to not have them take shots," Hoza said. "We showed them to the sideline, denied them turning it and kicking it in, closing down and turning to the sideline and stick in and win the ball, don't let them get those shots off we need to do a better job of closing it down and effecting the ball, and that's what a first defender does, and we'll work on our first defending."

The 'Cats finally showed some signs of life in the 77th minute, recording their first shot since Sanders' goal, a shooting drought of 63 minutes.

Northwest will play its final game of the season against Missouri Southern at 6 p.m. today in Joplin, Mo. Sanders says they have a great chance in Joplin.

"We can play our hearts out," Sanders said. "We have a great team, a lot of talent and if we play together we definitely have a chance of beating (Southern). We're a great team defense to offense and if we play work together we can do great things."

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Week Ten

Central Missouri



WHEN THE 'CATS PASS: UCM ranks sixth in the conference in pass defense, allowing almost 230 yards per game. **EDGE>>>>'CATS**

WHEN THE 'CATS RUN: The Mules are not stopping much on the ground, allowing 157 yard per game. **EDGE>>>>'CATS**

Ryan Lessman
Offensive Line

“I know for one thing is we need to really play physical. That’s kind of what we do around here, we come out and play physical “

-- Lessman



WHEN THE MULES PASS: The secondary could be on the losing end of this battle with the MIAA’s top passer under center for the Mules. **EDGE>>>>MULES**

WHEN THE MULES RUN: Worst rushing offense in the conference stands no chance. **EDGE>>>>'CATS**

“It’s going to be similar to a playoff game because it’s going to be a hostile environment. We’re going to try and get UCM’s best shot. Overall, it’s a big game for both of us.”

-- Welch

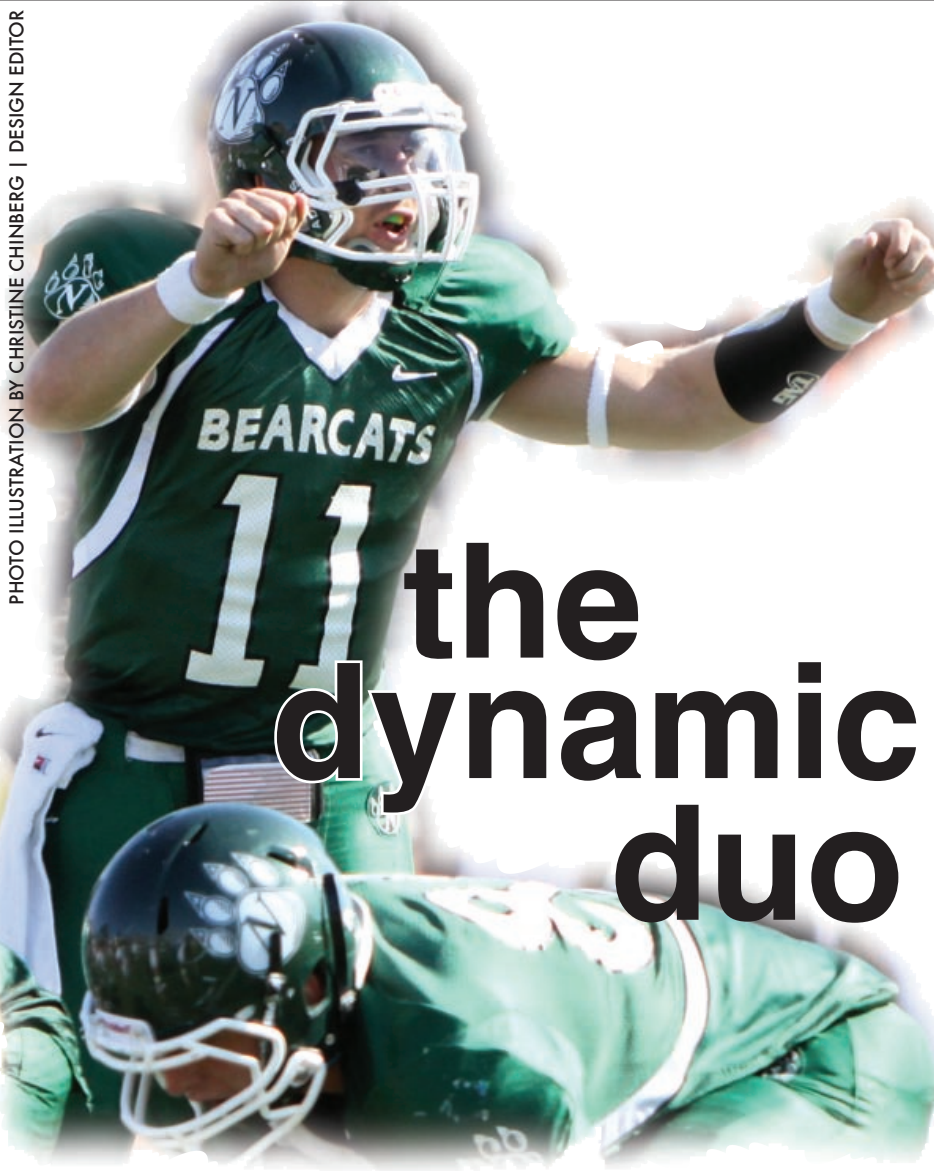
SPECIAL TEAMS: Both teams consistently perform well on special teams, however, Northwest holds the advantage with the likes of Stadler and Simmons. Look for the special teams to play a big role in this game. **EDGE>>>>'CATS**



“I think this group does a very good job (not looking past opponents). I can’t tell what’s in their minds, but we just dont hear anything about anybody other than who we’re playing.”

--Tjeerdsma

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the

dynamic duo

Pair setting records on field, standards off

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

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“Score.”

The only word junior wide receiver Jake Soy needs to describe his favorite pass play in the many folds of the Bearcat offense.

It should come as no surprise since that has been just about all Soy and senior quarterback Blake Bolles have done since pairing up, aside from claiming their first National Title together. The expectations of duplicating the numbers from a year ago, should come as no surprise, increasingly high, following the season’s output the two had last year.

“I think they have done well with (handling expectations),” head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. “I was concerned for both of them, because the expectations are so high. Sometimes fans, and even teammates and coaches, aren’t realistic about things, but these guys have both handled it real well.”

Last season alone, the two accounted for 26 of each other’s touchdowns, and have hooked up for 35 total touchdowns across their careers.

Those numbers alone make it no argument the amount of trust each other has in the other, specifically Bolles, who admits he has never had more trust in any player during his career.

“I have the most confidence in Jake than pretty much anyone I have played with,” Bolles said. “That’s not to take away from anybody that I have ever played with. It’s just I feel like I know what he’s going to do on every single play.”

Their success however, is only a testament to the pair’s work ethic and the time spent on and off the field preparing week in and week out. In fact, the hours allotted preparing for the 60 minutes of playing time on Saturdays could be compared directly to that of a full time job. But those hours only pertain to half their commitment to this program. The other half is spent scouring more than

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COLUMN

What if

Bearcat

football lost

its way?

BY JASON LAWRENCE
Missourian Reporter

It’s a simple, hypothetical question. What if Mel Tjeerdsma left and took the Texas-San Antonio job?

Well, here’s what I would have foreseen happening. Northwest football would have dropped off the map.

That’s not to say that the assistant coaches aren’t capable. I just think they would have followed suit and followed Tjeerdsma to Texas.

Brian Kelly did it at Grand Valley State – won two National Titles in his 13 years then headed off to Division I Central Michigan. In his three years at CMU, he won more games than the previous year and led them to a bowl game.

Then, Kelly jumped ship again to the greener pastures of Cincinnati. He led Cincinnati to three straight bowls before heading off to South Bend, Ind. to coach the Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

What if the Texas-San Antonio job was still vacant and Tjeerdsma decided to take the job?

Northwest and all of Maryville would have been devastated. The community would have lost its largest public figure, and the Bearcats would have lost its charismatic leader.

Flash forward to the Emporia State game three weeks ago. Would a rookie head coach been able to stand there and weather that storm? I would say no. Emporia had the ‘Cats on edge all game. And no Tjeerdsma would mean no defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick, whose defense scored twice in the fourth quarter to secure the victory.

Jump ahead another week to the Washburn game. With under a minute left, the Ichabods scored and were down by one. Washburn goes for two and it’s no good. The Bearcats survive and run its conference streak to 43 straight wins.

Does that happen without Tjeerdsma at the helm? No way. This team feeds off of Tjeerdsma’s energy and his never-say-die attitude. The streak would have fell short of the record-setting 42 and Northwest would be sitting with at least three losses right now and on the outside of the playoff picture.

Yes, a lot relies on the players and Northwest has an outstanding roster, but without that strong leadership at the top, I don’t think this team could keep pulling out these nail biters and stay atop the MIAA.

I Didn’t mean to scare you, but what happens when Mel finally decides to hang up his whistle for good?

MIAA Title up for grabs in Mule Country

BY TONY BOTTS
Sports Editor

Players darted in and out of coaches’ offices during the week, searching for film they would spend hours dissecting and analyzing, clipboards to take notes on during their film sessions with one unifying task at hand: secure a conference title.

“We know what’s on the line and if our kids can’t get excited about this ball game, then we probably won’t get excited about any,” head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

That task comes as no easy feat with Central Missouri, undefeated

through conference play and 9-1 overall, attempting to dethrone the Bearcats from their perennial perch atop the MIAA.

“Our No. 1 goal is to win a conference championship, we can get a share of it Saturday,” Tjeerdsma said. “That’s what we work for, that’s what we do all offseason for all the way through this point, to have that opportunity.”

Not only does the ‘Cats’ stake in the contentions for yet another conference title ride on the week-end showdown with the Mules, but its fate in the Regional rankings is also on the line with Northwest sitting in the fourth slot of Super Regional 4, currently outside-

looking-in on the two slots that assure guaranteed byes in the first round of the playoffs. The Mules occupy the No.2 spot in the first rankings, while Abilene Christian and Texas A&M-Kingsville fill the No. 1 and No. 3 slots, respectively.

Leading the Mules is the conference’s most prolific passer, Eric Czerniewski, and former ‘Cats’ assistant coach Jim Svoboda, now the head coach of the No. 6 squad in the AFCA Top 25 Poll. Also, former All-America Bearcat quarterback, Josh Lambersen, heads the wide receivers corps for the Mules.

“When it’s time to kick off, it’s

time to kick off,” Tjeerdsma said. “It’s just another team we need to beat.”

Wide receiver Jake Soy is on record watch this week, following his performance against Fort Hays that allowed him to tie the program’s career touchdown reception record at 38.

Senior quarterback Blake Bolles broke the career passing touchdown record, as well, and currently sits at No. 1 with 69 passing touchdowns.

The Mules and ‘Cats square off at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Warrensburg, Mo. A win for the ‘Cats guarantees a share of the conference title.



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JUNIOR WIDE RECEIVER Jake Soy breaks through an arm tackle. Soy tied the career touchdown receptions record Saturday.